

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT:	ROBERTO AYALA ET AL.	)	
		)	Group Art Unit: 3627
SERIAL NO:	09/910,544	)	
		)	Before the Examiner:
FILED:	July 20, 2001	)	Fahd A. Obeid
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FOR:	NETWORK-BASED SUPPLY	)	Confirmation No: 2135
	CHAIN MANAGEMENT	)	
	METHOD	)	

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 2008, the Applicants submit the following amendment and remarks for entry in the above referenced application.